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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

## Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2002, (Paper No. 9), reconsideration by the Examiner is requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

## In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 44 and 45 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Antibodies which inhibit the binding of TGF-beta binding-protein to a TGF-beta family member may readily be prepared given the disclosure provided herein. Within the